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TO AMEMBASSY DAKAR NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY NOUAKCHOTT NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY CONAKRY NIACT IMMEDIATE

AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN NIACT IMMEDIATE

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TAGS: OREP (HARTKE, VANCE)

SUBJECT:CODEL HARTKE

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1. IN BRIEFING WITH BUREAU OFFICER HARTKE SAID HE REALIZES TRADE BILL WILL HAVE LITTLE IMPACT ON AFRICA AND DEFINED HIS INTERESTS INSTEAD AS INVESTIGATING PROSPECTS FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WITH VIEW TOWARD BETTER CHANNELING ASSISTANCE FROM CONGRESS AND PRIVATE FOUNDATIONS (FYI - SON'S INTEREST IN AREA APPEARS IMPORTANT MOTIVATION FOR TRIP END FYI). HE WOULD LIKE MEET ANY RESIDENT VOLUNTEERS OF INTERNATIONAL EXECUTIVE SERVICE CORPS, PROGRAM HE HELPED INSTITUTE. HE ALSO WANTS EXPLORE POSSIBLE USE FISHMEAL AS PROTEIN SOURCE FOR WEST AFRICAN POPULATION.

2. FOR NOUAKCHOTT: HARTKE CONFIRMED THAT AMBASSADOR ABDULLAH PUTTING PROGRAM TOGETHER, INCLUDING BRIEF CALL ON LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PRESIDENT. SPECIFIC INTERESTS INCLUDE DISCUSSION POSSIBLE

PRIVATE AMERICAN PARTICIPATION EXPLOITATION PHOSPHATE AND GYPSUM DEPOSITS, PROPOSALS ABDULLAH HAS TRIED UNSUCCESSFULLY TO DRUM UP SOME ENTHUSIASM U.S. BUSINESS COMMUNITY. HARTKE ALSO WANTS EXPLORE POSSIBILITIES INCREASING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION, INCLUDING IMPACT ON PRODUCTION OF PROPOSED OMVS REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT SCHEME.

3. FOR DAKAR: SENATOR DEFINITELY WANTS TO SEE FAIR. PLEASE CONFIRM THAT FAIR OPEN SUNDAY AND THAT ONE DAY SUFFICIENT TO SEE IT. AMBASSADOR COULBARY APPARENTLY ALREADY HAS NOTIFIED GOS OF IMPENDING VISIT AND SENATOR'S INTEREST IN MEETING SENGHOR. PLEASE HAVE AID MISSION PREPARED TO BRIEF ON OMVS. EMBASSY MAY WISH LINE UP MEETING WITH VANDERVILLE OF FAO ON FISHMEAL.

4. FOR CONAKRY: SENATOR HAS PLEASANT MEMORIES OF EARLY SIXTIES MEETING IN CONAKRY WITH TOURE, WHO QUOTE EXTENDED OPEN INVITATION TO SUBSEQUENT ANNUAL INDEPENDENCE CEREMONIES UNQUOTE. SENATOR OPTIMISTIC TOURE WILL RECEIVE HIM. SENATOR ADVISED HIS FRIEND FORMER AMBASSADOR BANGOURA IMPRISONED BY TOURE AND THEREFORE UNAVAILABLE. SENATOR INTERESTED IN BAUXITE MINING AND AMERICAN PARTICIPATION THEREIN, AS WELL AS POSSIBLE AMERICAN PARTICIPATION IN IRON MINING. SENATOR ALSO MENTIONED INTEREST IN RURAL ELECTRIFICATION.

5. FOR ABIDJAN: SENATOR ADVISED OF AMBASSADOR'S ABSENCE. WHEN TOLD OF DISCUSSIONS WITH PURDUE ON SOYBEAN PRODUCTION, HE ASKED THAT APPOINTMENTS BE ARRANGED WITH LOCAL OFFICIALS RESPONSIBLE, PRESUMABLY SAWADOGO, AND ANY PURDUE PERSONNEL IN COUNTRY. HE WAS INFORMED NO PURDUE PERSONNEL BELIEVED IN IVORY COAST AT THIS TIME. SENATOR DINING WITH AMBASSADOR AHOUA NOVEMBER 25, AND FRIENDSHIP WITH AHOUA APPEARS BE PRINCIPAL REASON FOR VISIT ABIDJAN.

6. SON VANCE MAY REMAIN IN WEST AFRICA AFTER FATHER'S DEPARTURE TO EXPLORE BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES. INGERSOLL

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